(ख) यदि हां, तो इसका ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) इस कार्य के कब तक प्रारम्भ कर दिए जाने की संभावना है तथा इस कार्य में कितना समय लगेगा;

(घ) इस कार्य में कितनी धनराशि व्यय होगी;

(ङ) आन्ध्र प्रदेश में इस समय छोटी और बड़ी लाइनों का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(च) यदि उपर्युक्त भाग (क) का उत्तर "ना" हो, तो इसके क्या कारण है ?

**रेल मंत्रालय में उप मंत्री (श्री अजय सिंह)** : (क) जी नहीं ।

(ख) से (घ) प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।

(ङ) बड़ी लाइन-3374 कि. मी., मीटर लाइन-1610 कि. मी. ।

(च) आमान परिवर्तन परियोजनाओं के लिए संसाधनों की तंगी के कारण ।

**Reservation for Backward Classes and Harijans in Armed Forces**

3718. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA :
SHRI KAPIL VERMA :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the provision for reservation for backward classes and Harijans are proposed to be extended to persons of these categories in armed forces;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) to (c) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to extend reservation for Othei Backward Classes and Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the Armed Forces.

**Economic Freedom to Women**

3719. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: SHRI KAPIL VERMA :

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state

(a) whether in the view of social and economic backwardness of women and with a view to help them the achievement of economic freedom; whether Government propose to grant a certain percentage of women in the services; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE DEPARTMENT OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SMT. USHA SINHA) : (a) and (b) The Department of Personnel and Training has under consideration a proposal to provide reservation for women in certain appropriate vocations/services m the Government.

**Implementation of Bachawat Wage Board Recommendations**

3720. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA : SHRI KAPIL VERMAN :

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state

(a) what is the number of newspapers establishment in the country, State-wise, which have not so far implemented the Bachawat Wage Board recommendation and also those which have implemented the* same partly; *

(b) what are the measures being taken to force the .defaulters . to implement the recommendations; and

(c) whether any penal measures are under Government's consideration in this regard; if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR AND WELFARE (SHRI RAM VILAS PASWAN) : (a) A statement is enclosed. *(See* below).

(b) The State Governments are responsible for enforcement of the Bhachawat Wage Board's recommendations. All the j State Governments have been addressed to enforce the implementation of these recommendations and take appropriate action against defaulters.